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In the Application of :
Tanguy Marie Louise Alexandre Catlin, et al. :
Serial No.09/994,533 : Group Art Unit: 1751
Filed November 27, 2001 : Examiner: Gregory E. Webb

For DETERGENT PRODUCTS, METHODS AND MANUFACTURE

PETITION TO WITHDRAW NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Applicants respectfully petition The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to withdraw the Notice of Abandonment mailed on April 14, 2004.

Statement of Facts

The Notice of Abandonment mailed April 14, 2004, states that the Applicants failed to respond to an Office Action mailed August 6, 2003.

The Notice of Abandonment is in error, however, because the Applicants did respond to the Office Action on August 14, 2003. A copy of Applicants' response is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". A copy of the fax transmission sheet indicating this response was transmitted to the United States Patent & Trademark Office is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

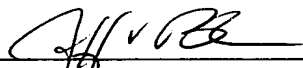
In addition, at the Examiner's request, the response was resubmitted on March 4, 2003. A copy of the fax transmission sheet indicating this response was transmitted to the United States Patent & Trademark Office is attached hereto as Exhibit "C".

Memorandum

Since the Applicants responded to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 6, 2003, the Notice of Abandonment is improper and should be withdrawn.

Please charge any fees associated with this petition to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this petition is included for this purpose. However, Applicants request that this petition be granted without any fees since the Notice of Abandonment was improperly issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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